

# NORTH PHOENIX REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL EARLY LITERACY REQUEST FOR GRANT APPLICATION RFGA # FTF-RC012-11-0297-00 FACT SHEET

## WHAT IS THE FIRST THINGS FIRST NORTH PHOENIX REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL EARLY LITERACY GRANT PROGRAM?

The North Phoenix Regional Partnership Council has identified the need for regional implementation of strategies to expand the capacity of existing early language and literacy programs, or create new early literacy and language programs to provide literacy development supports and services to young children and their families in their communities.

Effective literacy development programs understand the parent's literacy history and strengths and reinforce their knowledge and skills as well as provide an opportunity for adults and children to reflect on literacy practices in their daily lives. Programs should consider the family's socio-cultural context including how children's experiences with the world greatly influence their ability to comprehend what they read. It is important that programs provide accommodations and adaptations for children and adults with special needs or disabilities and recognize oral language as the foundation for literacy development. Programs should contain an educational component, which formally or informally affects the child's literacy or development.

#### WHAT IS THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF FUNDING AVAILABLE?

Approximately \$352,000 is available in this Request for Grant Application. Contract renewal will be contingent upon satisfactory contract performance, evaluation and availability of funds.

The anticipated contract period for any resultant grant will be August 1, 2010 - to June 30, 2011.

#### PROPOSED TIMELINE FOR THE GRANT MAKING PROCESS

April 7, 2010	RFGA available on-line
April 27, 2010	Pre-Application Conference
	3:00 p.m. at First Things First, 8 <sup>th</sup> Floor Board Room,
	4000 N. Central Ave., Suite 800, Phoenix, AZ 85012
May 20, 2010	Applications due to the location listed in the RFGA by 11:00 a.m.
August 1, 2010	Anticipated grant awards made

#### HOW TO GET A COPY OF THE RFGA

Please visit the First Things First web site on or after April 7, 2010: <a href="http://www.azftf.gov/">http://www.azftf.gov/</a>

### **QUESTIONS?**

All questions must be submitted in writing and include **RFGA # FTF-RC012-11-0297-00** in the subject line of the email or on the cover sheet of the fax.

Questions should be submitted to the Grants and Contracts Procurement Specialist via email at <a href="mailto:grants@azftf.gov">grants@azftf.gov</a> or via fax at (602) 265-0009.